

## GENERAL KELLY'S CASE

**He Claims that He was "Too Old" for Tricky Contractors—The Tariff Bill in the House—Not Much Chance for Its Passage—Democrats Will do Their Utmost to Defeat It.**

From an Official Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 4.—Gen. B. F. Kelly, late Superintendent of the Hot Springs Arkansas, is in the city, and will remain several weeks. The General's version of the late removal from his position at Hot Springs explains away much that has heretofore been a mystery to many. The cause publicly assigned for his displacement was that he was too old to longer discharge the duties of the place to the satisfaction of the powers that be. The simple fact is that he was a little "too old" for certain contractors down there, and they resented upon his removal. They commenced operations by hiring a Democratic nominee for congress in the Hot Springs district, and then they proceeded to then poison the ears of the Washington authorities with the story that General

Kelly had become a Democrat and was damaging the Republican prospects in the State of Arkansas. They induced the authorities to believe that if a man they suggested, a citizen of that State, were at once appointed the Hot Springs District would go Republican at the succeeding election. Accordingly there was but little delay, and a less ceremony, in General Kelly's removal. He claims that he was unjustly dealt with, and his friends here and in West Virginia, where he will be kindly remembered by the veteran corps unanimously, should at once take steps to see him righted. General Goff is in the city, and is

understand that before he leaves he will interview the President in Gen. Kelly's behalf—not to have him restored to the old position, but to have him appointed to another equally as good.

**TARIFF WRECKERS.**

**Democrats Will Improve Their Opportunity to Prevent Tariff Legislation.**  
From Our Social Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, February 4.—If there are those who entertain any hopes of a tariff bill passing at this session they may as well abandon them. The Appropriation Committee will try to-morrow to pass the Legislative Appropriation Bill under a suspension of the rules. It has been done once before, but only in exceptional cases, and now Democrats

generally will oppose it. Every Democrat on the Appropriation Committee voted against asking the House to do it, and there are no indications of a two-thirds vote to-morrow, or any other time approaching it. This failing, Mr. Hiseock will not allow the Tariff bill to hold the floor but few days longer, and none so long as there is any chance for the House to finish the bill in the next two weeks.

It is only plan now discussed is one to get the Senate bill, which is built on the House bill, through the Senate, and then to have the House concur in the amendment for the House to not-concur in the amendment and send it to a Conference Committee to amend and fix up a bill in which the Committee will have no part. This is of the highest privilege, and enable a vote to be reached upon it. When the Senate bill comes to the House, if at all, it goes to the Speaker's table and then goes to the Senate going to the table and clearing it of business. And then it would be in order to vote separately upon all the amendment which would enable the minority to wreck it.

at once. This can only be got rid of by suspension of rules and voting by yeas and nays. It will be in order tomorrow to suspend the rules, but not again till the 19th. It is not likely as things are moving, that the Senate bill will be on the Speaker's table on the 19th, or that there is a two-thirds vote in the House now, or will be then, ready to send the bill to a conference committee at such a late hour in the session as to prevent the fullest opportunity for consideration. The bill has not yet been reported. Nothing is certain in Legislation, but there is not one chance in fifty of any bill being passed at this session.

**National Bank Statement.**  
WASHINGTON, February 3.—The receipts

of National bank notes for redemption during the week ending to-day were \$2,476,000; bonds held by the Treasurer to secure National bank circulation, \$396,230; 450; to secure public moneys in National bank depositaries, \$16,829,000; bonds deposited to secure circulation during the week, \$2,927,500; to secure circulation withdrawn during the week, \$1,704,500; National bank notes outstanding, \$39,105,818, lawful money on deposit to redeem notes of National banks reducing circulation \$22,850,971 50; liquidating banks, \$14,483,780 30; failed banks, \$1,072,358 20.

Miss Abbott's Engagement.

Mrs. Abbott and her company arrived in the city from Pittsburgh yesterday. The rumor which gained circulation Saturday that Mrs. Abbott would appear at the concert was unfounded. The opera tomorrow evening will commence promptly at eight o'clock, and will be over in time to allow those who wish to attend the Governor's reception at the State House at a fashionable hour. The opera "Le Comte d'Artois" to be given to-morrow evening, is one of Mrs. Abbott's favorites, as well as a favorite with the public in other cities, and lovers of rare music should not miss the opportunity to hear Mrs. Abbott in "Le Comte d'Artois." Seats are still left at Wilson & Baumer's.

The Diurnal will resume her Parkersburg trade this morning.

Surveyor of the Port Beach left on the Sidney Saturday for Marietta.

Yesterday the river rose about 6 feet, and a further rise is looked for to-day.

The big steamer Carrier passed down yesterday for St. Louis, and the Katie Stockdale moved on for Pittsburgh.

The Andes is due to-day. She is coming with an immense trip, and will load so as to leave for Cincinnati to-morrow afternoon.

The Sidney got away Saturday afternoon with a splendid trip; she was loaded to the guns. It was her first start out for over two months.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.—River 6 feet and

**PITTSBURGH, February 4.**—River 18 feet 10 inches and rising. The Ohio is full of ice.

**OHIO CITY, Pa., February 4.**—River 23 feet and rising. Weather cloudy and growing cold.

**MORGANTOWN, February 4.**—River 3 feet 6 inches and stationary; weather cloudy; thermometer 30°.

**PASKEG, February 4.**—River 25 and rising. The Kumbleton bridge has gone. The Clarion is 15 feet and rising. The Warren is 15 feet 6 inches and falling slowly.

**DIED.**

**GOOD—At Kirkwood, Mo. on Friday evening, February 2, 1888, in her 24th year, NANNIE C. GOOD, wife of J. M. Good.**

Funeral services from the residence of Hon. Robi-  
naki Brady, 1218 Eoff street, this afternoon at two  
o'clock. Interment private.